

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 79  
By Yokley

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Miss Ashlei Goddard of Cocke County upon being named 2005 Miss Cocke County Fairest of the Fair.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly are pleased to specially recognize those outstanding young people of this State whose poise, admirable personality traits, and beauty, both inner and outer, make them role models among their peers; and

WHEREAS, one such outstanding young woman is eighteen-year-old Miss Ashlei Goddard of Cocke County, who was recently named the 2005 Miss Cocke County Fairest of the Fair; and

WHEREAS, a Senior at Cocke County High School and the daughter of Rhonda Goddard of Bybee and Luke Goddard of Newport, Ashlei Goddard is the granddaughter of Lola and Ruble Campbell of Newport and Herman Goddard of Greeneville; and

WHEREAS, in August of 2004, Ashlei Goddard won the coveted title of Miss Cocke County Fairest of the Fair, which, in Miss Goddard's eyes, has been her most meaningful pageant title thus far; she was then eligible to participate in the Miss Tennessee Fairest of the Fairs Pageant in Nashville on January 28, 2005; and

WHEREAS, at the state competition, Miss Goddard competed against approximately 55 other contestants who were judged on their beauty, poise, and personality, and participated in personal interviews; she also modeled an evening gown and, as a top-ten finalist, answered questions from the judges while on stage; and

WHEREAS, Miss Goddard performed with a natural intelligence and grace that earned her the position of First Runner-Up to the state titleholder; she is only the fourth Cocke County Fairest of the Fair to place in the Top Ten in the state competition, and she is the first from her county to be selected as First Runner-Up for the state title; and

WHEREAS, in past years, Miss Goddard has won awards in other prestigious pageants, including the Parrottsville Heritage Days, On Cosby, and Newport Harvest Street Festival pageants; she was also named First Runner-Up at the Cosby Ruritan Club's Maid of Ramps pageant; and

WHEREAS, a model young woman and student, Miss Goddard is an active participant in many extracurricular activities, including her service as a Beta Club member, a staff member of the school annual, a member of the Drama Club and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and a school office worker; and

WHEREAS, after high school graduation, Miss Goddard plans to attend college and pursue a career in business; and

WHEREAS, Ashlei Goddard's drive and determination are a source of pride for her parents, her step-sister Maci McMahan, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we pause in our deliberations to specially recognize and honor one of Tennessee's most promising young women; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we congratulate Miss Ashlei Goddard, a young woman of great ability and integrity, upon being named 2005 Miss Cocke County Fairest of the Fair and extend to her our best wishes for every success in all her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.